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FOR THE SECRETARY FROM AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: MASS EG
SUBJ: POSSIBLE SALE OF LICENSED EQUIPMENT AND MILITARY SUPPLY
TO EGYPT

REF: (A) STATE 111881, (B) STATE 111882

1. REFTELS RECEIVED TODAY AND WERE IN FACT FORWARDED TO ME IN ALEXANDRIA, WHERE I WAS MEETING WITH VP MUBARAK. I ASKED THE VP IF THERE WAS ANY CHANCE OF SEEING SADAT TODAY OR TOMORROW, BUT HE THOUGHT IT WOULD BE AWKWARD SINCE THE PRESIDENT IS FULLY ENGAGED IN TALKS WITH VISITING OMANI SULTAN QABUS THROUGH WEDNESDAY AND WILL LEAVE THURSDAY MORNING FOR SAUDI ARABIA. INSTEAD, UNLESS IT WAS A MATTER OF GREAT URGENCY, MUBARKA SUGGESTED I MEET WITH SADAT SOME TIME AFTER THE PRESIDENT'S RETURN LATE FRIDAY, MAY 20. I SAID THIS WAS SATISFACTORY, BUT ASKED THAT THE VP LET SADAT KNOW THAT I WOULD BE REQUESTING A MEETING WITH HIM.

2. AS SOON AS SADAT GETS BACK, I WILL FORMALLY REQUEST MEETING AT WHATEVER TIME MAY BE CONVENIENT
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TO HIM. IT WILL PROBABLY INVOLVE A TRIP TO ALEXANDRIA, WHERE I GATHER THE PRESIDENT INTENDS TO STAY FOR MOST OF THE TIME BETWEEN NOW AND SEPTEMBER.

3. I PROPOSE IN THE FIRST INSTANCE TO TALK TO SADAT ABOUT BOTH OF THE REFERENCE SUBJECTS AND TO

SEEK HIS GUIDANCE RE WITH WHOM HE WISHES THE MATTER OF THE POSSIBLE SALE OF LICENSED EQUIPMENT TO BE DISCUSSED. HE WILL, OF COURSE, NOT BE ACQUINTED IN ANY DETAIL WITH THE OFFERS OF THE VARIOUS COMPANIES. I WILL MAKE IT CLEAR THAT ON THE MATTER OF THE POSSIBLE SALE OF LICENSED EQUIPMENT WERE AT THIS TIME MERELY ASKING FOR CLARIFICATION OF THE EGYPTIAN REQUEST AND THAT MY QUERIES SHOULD NOT BE TAKEN AS A COMMITMENT BY THE USG TO SUPPLY THE EQUIPMENT UNDER DISCUSSION. I WILL ALSO EMPHASIZE THE COMPLICATED NATURE OF ANY CO-PRODUCTION REQUEST.

4. WHILE I CANNOT BE DEFINITIVE AT THIS TIME, I WOULD IMAGINE THAT MY MEETING WITH SADAT WOULD PROBABLY BE FIXED FOR MONDAY OR TUESDAY OF NEXT WEEK. THIS ABOUT THE BEST THAT IS LIKELY TO BE POSSIBLE. ASSUME THAT CONGRESSIONAL CONSULTATIONS WILL BE DEFERRED UNTIL AFTER I HAVE TALKED WITH SADAT ABOUT THE MATTER.
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